

// A special meeting of the Council of the City of Lynchburg, recessed from the earlier 5:00 p.m. meeting, was held on the 26th day of October, 2004, at 5:30 P.M., School Administration Building, Carl B. Hutcherson, Jr., President, presiding. The purpose of the meeting was to meet with the School Board. The following Members were present:

Present: Dodson, Foster, Gillette, Helgeson, Johnson, Seiffert, Hutcherson

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Absent:

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// Ms. Cynthia Page, Schools Director of Finance, along with Margaret Schmitt, the City's Director of Human Resources, presented an overview regarding the differences between the City's and Schools' health insurance plans. Following discussion, both bodies agreed not to continue to seek a common health insurance plan due to the large number of differences between the two plans and the lack of a guarantee that large savings would come from a combined plan. City Manager Kimball Payne stated that although there may be no compelling reason to combine the two plans, the gap between the per capita costs between the two plans should not widen any further.

// During the FY2006 Budget discussion, School Board Chair Julie Doyle stated that the Board is very concerned about teacher salaries, especially with the loss of teachers to adjoining counties.

// City Manager Kimball Payne stated that a draft Memorandum of Understanding to formalize the relationship between the City and Schools regarding joint facilities usage should be forthcoming to both bodies for approval.

// Schools representatives provided information regarding the differences in the middle schools athletic program participation policies, and status reports regarding Internal Audit, the E. C. Glass High School renovation project, student enrollment, and two innovative programs at Bass and Linkhorne Elementary Schools. Public Information Officer Treney Tweedy provided information regarding a joint City/Schools marketing/public relations project.

// The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.